AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 10, as follows:

In accordance with recent demands for weight saving of a car body and cost saving, various metal parts have been ~~are~~ replaced by synthetic resins. A door mirror is not an exception. Synthetic resins are extensively used for not only the door mirror body, but also a set plate that supports the door mirror body. The set plate comprises a base plate to be attached to a car door and a support shaft for rotatably supporting the door mirror body. The set plate is conventionally made of zinc die cast metal. If the base plate and the support shaft are integrally molded out of synthetic resin, this would enable a drastic reduction in weight compared to a metal set plate.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 21, as follows:

With regard to ~~As regards~~ using a synthetic resin for the set plate as a supporting member for the door mirror body, there have been the following problems. Firstly, if the support shaft as well as the set plate is made of synthetic resin, the base of the support shaft produces insufficient strength. While the stress concentrates on the base of the support shaft, the synthetic resin lacks the member strength against the stress concentration. In order to relieve the stress concentration, a curved surface section is generally provided at the bottom of the support shaft. However, increasing the diameter of the support shaft is undesirable because of limitations on the set plate size and relation with the other parts. For this reason, it has been difficult to form the curved surface section for relieving the stress at the support shaft base and has caused insufficient strength to the support shaft.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 6, as follows:

The set plate, if made of synthetic resin, causes insufficient strength to the stopper protrusion that touches the groove end and restricts rotative movement of the door mirror body. The stopper protrusion and the steel ball are configured completely different although they are both associated with rotational angles of the door mirror body. There has also been ~~also~~ a problem of complicating parts shapes and degrading the space saving efficiency.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 26, as follows:

It is therefore an object of the present invention to provide a door mirror set plate which solves the above-mentioned problems and excels in ~~the~~ strength and functionality.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 21, as follows:

On the door mirror set plate, it may be preferable to provide a flat section which is formed at an outside periphery of the support shaft base on the top surface of the base plate at the same level as the top surface of the base plate and which connects between the external surface of the support shaft and the top surface of the base plate by crossing the curved surface section. This makes it possible to use the flat section to support the bottom surface of the thrust washer provided on the support shaft base. Accordingly, the thrust washer can be supported at its internal diameter side without being disposed in ~~fallen into~~ the curved surface section, ensuring smooth rotation of the door mirror body.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 23, as follows:

On the door mirror set plate, it may be preferable to provide a slide-contact section at a

portion corresponding to the same diameter as that of the positioning hole of the door mirror body in order to allow ~~and allows~~ the positioning protrusion to run onto the slide-contact section in accordance with rotative movement of the door mirror.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 1, as follows:

Further, it may be preferable to configure the positioning protrusion to engage with the positioning hole when the door mirror body is moved to the neutral position. Furthermore, it may be preferable to configure the positioning protrusion such that it runs onto the slide-contact section when the door mirror body is set to anywhere other than a neutral position. Additionally, it may be preferable to configure the positioning protrusion such that when ~~is supplied with~~ a force is supplied toward the slide-contact section, the positioning protrusion ~~and~~ is pressed against the slide-contact section.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 10, as follows:

On the door mirror set plate, it may be preferable to form a slope at one end of the positioning protrusion and at one end of the slide-contact section, wherein ~~and~~ both slopes face to each other when the door mirror body is set to a neutral position. In this case, when the door mirror body is moved to a retracted position, both of the slopes slidingly contact with each other to let the positioning protrusion run onto the slide-contact section.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 17, as follows:

Also, on the door mirror set plate, the other end of the positioning protrusion and the other end of the slide-contact section may be formed approximately at right angles, with ~~and~~ both

ends facing ~~face to~~ each other when the door mirror body is moved to a neutral position. In this case, when the door mirror body is moved to a safety position, the end surface of the positioning protrusion climbs the end surface of the slide-contact section to run onto the slide-contact section.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 27, as follows:

The above-described and other objects, and novel features ~~feature~~ of the present invention will become apparent more fully from the description of the following specification in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 7, as follows:

The door mirror 10 is a so-called electric retractable apparatus. The door mirror body 2 can rotatively move approximately ~~at~~ 180 degrees from a retracted position X to a safety position Z via a neutral position Y around the set plate 1 by means of the drive unit 4. The drive unit 4 allows angles of the mirror plate 3 to be controlled remotely. The door mirror body 2 is externally provided with a cover 7 that is colored so as to match a body color.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 24, as follows:

Detailed description has hereinabove been given of the invention achieved by the present inventor with reference to the embodiment. However, the present invention should not be limited to the embodiment described above, and may be variously modified within the scope not departing from the gist of the invention.